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TEDDY MONOPOLIZES MAJOR-ITY OF CONVENTION'S TIME.

Bull Moose Delegates Willing to Follow Wherever He May Lead Them - Near-Fire in Collseum Causes Some Uneasiness, but Normal Restored when Roosevelt Calls for Quiet-Permanent Organization of Party will Take Today-Crowd Likes Teddy's Talk and Urges Him to His Utmost.

Chicago, Aug. 6.—The second day's se sion of the National Progressive Convention was given almost entirely addition to delivering his long-awaitsome length and with a great deal of earnestness a question as to his attitude on the negro question.

The delegates cheered Col Roosevelt for more than an hour when he appeared suddenly and rather dramatically on the platform of the Coliseum. While awaiting the Colonel's arrival most of the delegates had joined in an impromptu song that they would follow him whereever he should choose to lead. This was the spirit of the reception accorded the former President when he reached the Convention Hall, and it was the spirit with which his advanced ideas of progressiveness were received as fast as they were uttered.

The session, however, was not without its thrills. A photographic flashlight explosion set fire to one of the smoke retaining bags hung among the decorations above the crowded balcony, and for a time there was nervousness which it was feared might lead to a panic.

Temporary Chairman Beveridge and Col. Roosevelt called to everybody to remain quiet and the band started to play as two firemen climber girders of the roof. before the flames reached

le decorations running the entire gallery and extinhed the fire. This act was followed by a distinct sigh of relief and a round of cheers.

The doors of the Convention Hall had been thrown open to the public after Col Roosevelt reached the Coliseum, and the big auditorium held one of its greatest crowds, . The rush for places was so great that the fire marshall soon ordered the doors

There were thrills, too, when Col. Roosevelt was interrupted several times with questions. The same specbert J. Beveridge, demanded to know quor traffic?" The query came at the the tariff. close of the lengthy explanation of the speaker's attitude on the negro question and Mr. Roosevelt received it with distinct impatience.

As the delegates were yelling "shut up" and "put him out," Col Roosevelt walved his hand toward the man and

"Oh, go to a primary school or

something." Then he added:

"Let me get along with my speech," There were cheers and cries of "you're all right."

"let this now be as much of a monologue as possible."

When the Colonel had concluded the Convention proceeded at once to adopt the report of the committee on credentials and also a rule requiring that all resolutions submitted from the floor be sent to the resolutions committee without debate. Permanent organization was postponed until tomorrow, when the platform also President and Vice President on the

new third party ticket. He paid a tribute to civil war veterans. "It was of real significance." he said, "that this Convention should have been opened by the drums and fifes of the men who in their youth dared everything for the great principle of waging battle for a worthy cause. And beside the men of blue stood the mer of grey."

Col. Roosevelt departed most frequently from his manuscript when discussing the judiciary. He spoke of the recall of the "incompetent" Judge and said he used the adjective "in its polite and general sense."

"I'm not attacking the Judges," he added. "I am upholding the hands of the honest Judge."

archy he really was urging "a cor- their own race."

ANDERSON NEGRO ELECTROCUT- WOULD MAKE GOOD GOVERNOR, Governor again.

ED YESTERDAY MORNING. Execution Conducted Without a Hitch Social Equality Talk Absurd,-Reply-

and Man Pronounced Dead Amost Instantly.

Columbia, Aug. 7 .- William Reed. the Anderson county negro convicted early in the year of an attempted criminal assault, was electrocuted at the State penitentiary yesterday morning. He was taken from his cell by two guards at 11.04 and strapped in the chair at 11.05, when a current of 1,950 volts was turned on for one to Cal Theodore Roosevelt, who, in minute and 50 seconds. A second current was turned on for 40 seconds, ed "confession of faith," answered at and the negro was pronounced dead at 11.09 by Dr. Robert T. Jenn'ngs, enclosed the letter published below burne.

> chair and carried to the autopsy room says: "No sensible man in the State Griffith, superinten ont of the peni- the Judge." tentiary. He will very probably act as official executioner for the State, Senator Tillman:

Reed was the first prisoner to be 'Office of the Times and Democrat, executed as provided by the law of the last general assembly. The ne-

ing for electrocution. Reed was a law providing separate cars for the ched the burning bag back from weeks ago and placed in the old cause of the unconstitutionality of to this idea, claiming that sanitation prison building. On Monday after- such a law under the Constitution of the main prison building. He oc- Jones because of his acts as a legiscupied the first cell.

> Island Proclaims Independence. sea, has proclaimed its idependence the bill providing separate cars for of Turkey. The inhabitants, number- the races, having been elected to that the Turkish officials.

to anarchy.'

tator in the galleries, who yesterday | ter Col. Roosevelt started to quit. He | the act, for doing which he is charged | hands of District Attorney Whitman fired the query at former Senator Al- had omitted about one-half of the with being in favor of social equality, tonight. prepared speech and someone pointed. The same may be said of the other of the Colonel: "What about the II- out that he had forgotten to discuss charges against Judge Jones. As you

don't want to take up the time of the Jones voted against the Separate Car Convention. Copies of the complete Act, we would like for you to say speech will be distributed."

"Go on; gon on," shouted the dele-

"I am for a protective tariff," he said, and a cheer interrupted him. His great respect. I am very truly yours, tariff views, particularly his endorsement of the tariff commission scheme, were applauded.

"I would disregard any tariff promises made by the Republican Nation-"And please," added the Colonel, al Convention," said the Colonel, "for I do not regard a homily or honesty by a detected pickpocket as an au-

Then the Colonel shouted: sylvania delegation) a query about on the defensive and made him exthe negro question. There has been plain something that needed no expladistributed here a letter of mine to nation, for no sensible man in the Julian Harris which I wrote three or four days ago. In that I set forth my views and the reasons back of is to be adopted and Col. Rosevelt my views. But I can give you by exand a running mate nominated for ample just what I mean. I think the American people are good people to played politics more adroitly than the lead and poor people to drive. In Judge. In reply to your question: 'As Republican National Conventions hitherto there has been a large representation of colored men, all from Non-Republican States. The virtue rate Car Act, we would like for you of the Republicans of the Southern to say whether you consider Judge States trying to make the Democratic States be good I could not see.

> "The colored delegates all came from States that never cast a Republican electoral vote or elected a colored man to office," Mr. Roosevelt

> "The old policy of attempting to impose on the Southern States from without has broken down

"I regret to say that every man who has ever been to a national convention knows that the colored deleminutes when Roosevelt declared that character not only reflecting discredit far I have seen no reason why I Mr. Massee, who, it developed, is at son to doubt that the market will fall protection. That makes blind tiger instead of advocating Socialism or an- on the Republican party, but upon should change my attitude.

DECLARES SENATOR.

ing to Letter of Editor Sims, Sen- BLUES WIN FIVE FROM BROWNS.

ator Tillman States that no Sensible Man Believes Jones is in Favor of Social Equality-Blease Has Muddled Waters, Says Senator-Expresses His Belief that Jones is Eminently Qualified to Hold Governorship of South Carolina,

Columbia, Aug. 7 .- Some few days ago Mr. James L. Sims, editor of the Orangeburg Times and Democrat, in writing to Senator B. R. Tillman on general matters and the political campaign now going on in the State, prison physician, and Dr. S. B. Fish- and requested the Senator to give his views on the question asked there-His body was removed from the in. In answer Senator Tillman where a careful examination was believes that Judge Jones is in favor made. The execution was carried out of social equality," and that "he without a hitch. death being al- would make a good Governor, for he most instantaneous. The current was is eminently qualified." The Senator turned on by C. J. Robbins, a guard says Governor Blease "shrewdly mudat the State penitentiary. Mr. Rob- died the waters," and that he has bins was deputized by Capt. D. J. "played politics more adroitly than

Here is the letter Mr. Sims wrote to

"Orangeburg, S. C. "Senator B. R. Tillman, Washinggro confessed to his crime to Rev. ton, D. C .- My Dear Senator: Many Richard Carroll. The execution was of the reformers who were with you witnessed by 24 witnesses, the num- in the nineties and who still believe ber allowed by law. Richard Carroll in you and are doing all they can to acted as spiritual adviser to Reed and have you returned to the Senate are held a service in the death cell yes- supporters of Judge Jones in his race terday morning. Several other ne- for the Governorship and hope to see groes were present with Carroll / him elected. As you doubtless know, The hour set for the execution was Judge Jones has been charged with 11 o'clock, and the execution was being in favor of social equality beunder the direction of Capt. Griffith cause he, with many other good men, as provided in the measure provid- when in the Legislature, voted against brought to the penitentiary several races when you were Governor, benoon he was removed to the death the State at that time. Other charghouse, which has been erected near es have been made against Judge lator and Justice of the Supreme Court, which we need not mention as they are familiar to you. Judge Athens, Greece, Aug. 7 .- The Turk- Jones was Speaker of the House of ish island of Nicaria in the Aegean Representatives when he voted against ing 13,000, seized and imprisoned all position by the reformers, who afterwards elected him Associate Justice. We feel that these charges rective to Socialism and an antidote against Judge Jones are a reflection police-lieutenant charged with insti- fences against the people of South After talking an hour and a quar- Associate Justice after he committed thal, according to information in the were the head of the Reform Move-"That's so," he exclaimed. "But I ment and were Governor when Judge investigated by the district attorney, whether you consider Judge Jones an gambling fraternity advocate of social equality because gates and the Colonel went back to he voted against that law, and whether in your judgment he would make a MASSEE RELEASED BY SEASE. good Governor of the State. With (Signed) "Jas L. Sims."

Here is Senator Tillman's answer to Mr. Sims:

'United States Senate. "Washington, D. C., Aug. 3, 1912. "The Hon. James L. Sims, Orangeburg, S. C .- Dear Mr. Sims: I have your letter of July 29, for which Masesee, the Macon, Ga., millionaire, please accept my thanks, I have been surprised that Judge Jones has "I heard over there (in the Penn- allowed Governor Blease to put him State believes that Judge Jones is in favor of social equality, and Governor Blease has laughed in his sleeve tosee and is therefore null and void." how shrewdly he has muddled the waters. In other words, he has you were the head of the Reform Movement and was Governor when to say that they would appeal from Judge Jones voted against the Sepa- Judge Sease's decision to the supreme Jones an advocate of social equality because he voted against that law.

would make a good Governor for the would make a good Governor, for he I say this

"If the newspapers keep on pub- der a physician's care,

against that law, and I believe he

FIRST OFFICIAL ELECTROCUTION JONES QUALIFIED SAYSTILLMAN lishing such stuff as Grace's attack on the Governor and the dictagraph on the Governor and the dictagraph YORK MEN HEAR CANDIDATES. 'slush' they will certainly make Blease

"Very sincerely yours. "(Signed) B. R. Tillman."

Games at Y. M. C. A. Seen by Good Crowd Tuesday Night-Game To-

The Blues were the victors in each have been the most quiet and orderof the five games of Volley ball which were played at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium Tuesday night, the Browns going down in defeat before their opponents despite their hard work.

By winning the five straight games, the Blues come nearly up with the Reds in the league series, being only a few points behind them.

The next game will be played tonight when the Blues contest with the Blacks, Snell and Hall being the captains of the two teams.

VANT ONE-MAN GOVERNMENT.

Division of Authority in Canal Zone Would be Fatal-Root.

Washi g. ., August 5.-Demands for a one-man government of the completed Panama Canal and Canal Zone were voiced in the Senate today when consideration of the Panama bill was resumed by members of the inter-oceanic canals committee, which had reported in favor of a canal commission of three members. Senator Brandegee, chairman of the committee, and other members who had been outvoted in the committee, took up the defence of the one-man plan proposed by the House.

Senator Root insited that a division of authority at the canal would be fatal to its successful operation.

He said absolute authority should be vested in one man and that the entire project when completed should be operated practically on a military

Senator Bristow led the opposition and civil government should be un-

An attempt to fix Friday and Saturday for a final vote was made by Senator Bailey, but was not success-

"SYSTEM" TO DEFEND BECKER,

Fifty Thousand Dollars Being Raised for this Purpose.

New York, August 5 .- A police on all reformers, as they made him gating the murder of Herman Rosen-

> The money is being collected, it is said, by the so-called "system" which aside from the murder case, is to be who believes there is a corrupt alliance between the "system" and the founded on graft and backmail."

Georgia Man Will Not Be Held,

Spartanburg, Aug. 7 .- "This prosecution has a bad look. It appears that it was not brought in good faith," said Judge Thomas S. Sease in the circuit court today after hearing arguments of opposing counsel on the question of whether or not W. J. who was arrested here July 25, while passing through on a train, ought to be extradited to Tennessee. find as a matter of fact," said Judge Sease, in his official ruling in the case, "that the requisition was not authorized by the governor of Tennessee, but was issued without authority

The court directed that Massee be discharged from custody and that his bond of \$10,000 be cancelled. The court's decision caused the attorneys representing the State of Tennessee court, though the appeal will not endanger Massee's liberty again. They made no effort to conceal their indignation. Massee himself did not appear and whether in your judgment he at the hearing. It developed that Mr. Massee, who was here and who was the State,' I answer: I do not consider taken for W. J. Massee, was a broththat Judge Jones was an advocate of er of the defendant in the suit. The social equality because he voted arguments as to whether or not Mr. Massee should be extradited were made before Judge Sease in the grand more willingly because it cannot be counsel for the State of Tennessee

QUIETEST MEETING OF CAM- COLONEL'S CONVENTION SELECTS PAIGN HELD YESTERDAY.

Jones Makes Business-like Speech with Little Reference to Blease, Disregarding Custom New Yorker and while Governor Tones Down Customary Attack on Opponent,

Yorkville, Aug. 7 .- What is said to ly meeting of the State campaign so far was held here today, when the candidates for the several contested offices addressed a crowd of about two thousand voters in the Court House yard. York County political audiences are noted for their lack of demonstrativeness and the crowd today fully sustained that reputation.

There was some cheering, however, but mainly spasmodic, even Governor Blease, who was in fine humor, failing to arouse any great degree of enthusiasm, except on the part of a small group of his admirers, who stood directly in front of the stand, ready to shout approval when their champion handed out the "Near hot stuff." But the audience, as a whole, was undemonstrative. . Dout 25 la-

dies were present. Several incidents worthy of special mention marked today's meeting, not the least of which was Judge Jones' speech, in which the name of Governor Blease was mentioned but once and then in connection with Judge Jones' oft-repeated declaration that individuals are nothing, but South Carolina is everything. Only once or twice did Judge Jones even indirectly refer to the Governor. Judge Jones says he has seen enough of York County audiences to know that they cannot be fed on chaff.

Judge Jones made a straightforward, business-like, constructive talk, directing his appeal principally to the farmers, many of whom were present. He went over the things he advocates for the industrial and moral upbuilding of the State, eschewing altogether anything savoring of personalities and practically made no reference to the attacks on him by Governor Blease. He evidently did know the people whom he was ad-

Governor Blease, who followed Judge Jones, toned down his remarks considerably, but in effect covered about his usual ground in assailing record of his opponent. In fact, practically the Governor's entire speech. fund of \$50,000 is being raised for as usual, was devoted to denouncing the defence of Charles Becker, the Judge Jones for various alleged of-Carolina.

SENATE DENIES BRITISH CLAIM.

After Long Debate, Upper House Adjourns, Having Effected No Change in Measure's Standing.

Washington, Aug. 7 .- By a vote of 44 to 11, the senate late tonight refused to strike from the Panama canal bill the provision exempting American ships from payment of tolls for passage through the Panama canal. Debate on the question had continued from 1 p. m. until nearly midnight. The senate then adjourned until tomorrow without voting on the bill it-

The defeat of the Burton amendment was the senate's defiant answer to the protest of the British government against the legislation.

The senators who voted in favor of the Burton amendment were Brandegee, Burton, Crane, Fall, Gronna, Lodge, Nelson, Oliver, Penrose, Root and Wetmore.

During the evening the clause in question was amended upon motion the strikers. of Senator Hoke Smith of Georgia. by making the exemption apply only BIG NAVAL DEMONSTRATIONS. to vessels engaged exclusively the coastwise trade of the United Atlantic, Pacific and Asiatic Fleets

GOOD TOBACCO SALES,

120,000 Pounds of the Weed Sold at Three Kingstree Warehouses.

Kingstree, Aug. 6.-There was an unusually good sale of tobacco on this twenty thousand pounds of the weed no political sign to ance in the order. being sold in the three warehouses. at an average of 12 cents a pound. Of this amount the Nelson Warehouse leads, selling around fifty thouready sold more than was handled some good lessons from the gamblers construed as my taking sides as be- had failed to secure a continuation of the entire season last year. Consid- and police of New York. It is said tween the men. I announced last the case. They asked a delay until ering that the bulk of the crop is that the police and men higher up gates to those conventions were of a fail that I would not do this, and thus tomorrow because of the absence of yet to be marketed, there is no reahome suffering from vertigo and un- under the expectancy, which is three protection look like 30 cents. Sparmillion pounds.

ITS CANDIDATES AND THEN ADJOURNS.

Californian Appear Before Delegates and Announce that They Will Run, Colonel Gives Details of His Po-

Chicago, Aug. 7 .- Singing "Onward Christian Soldiers" and "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," the delegates to the first national convention of the Progressive party tonight accalaimed Theodore Roosevelt as their candidate for president and Gov. Hiram W. Johnson of California as their choice for vice presi int.

dions,

Marking a new departy

proceedings of national

the two candidates imp o ly were formally notified of t mination in the midst of der cheers appeared before the their acceptance to pledge their co pledge their best efforts t oming campaign. For sever hours during the morning arly evening the big arly evening the big foliseum had listened to crowd in a flow of c atory in nominating and seconding speeches in which the dominant note expressed was the belief that victory would come to the new party in the November elections. Raymond Robbins of Illinois pledged a 100,000 majority for the national ticket in Illinois, and Gifford Pinchot predicted a 300,000 majority for Col. Roosevelt and Gov. Johnson in his

statements were cheered to the echo. The party formally christened itself "the Progressive party," leaving out the prefix "national," by which it has heretofore been known, but provision was made for the recognition of "real" progressives in any of the States by whatever name they should be locally designated because of State

home State of Pennsylvania. These

The convention adjourned at 7.24 p. m. with the delegates singing the 'Doxology" in lusty voice. During the three days it was in session there was not a single roll call nor a ballot taken. The delegates asked no such formalities either in placing their candidates in nomination or in voting for them. There was not a voice in opposition either to Col. Roosevelt or Gov. Johnson. The delay in nominating them was due to the large number of second speeches allowed.

As has always been the case in national conventions the bulk of the work of this gathering was carried on in committees. The only semblance of a conflict of opposition on the floor was a brief debate today as to whether or not an hours' recess should be taken. The point was not material, but as one delegate expressed it, "We just had to fight about something to make it a regular

15,000 WORKERS RESIGN.

Walk Out Closes 23 Textile Mills in Mexico.

Puebla, Mexico, Aug. 6 .- Fifteen thousand textile workers have struck, closing down twenty-three mills in this State, most of them near this city. To maintain order and to guard the properties, most of which belongs to foreigners, chiefly Spanish and French, troops were ordered out and additional forces are expected tomorrow from Mexico City.

Recognition of the Textile Workers' Union, a nine-hour day and a seven-hour shift at night, a minimum wage scale and a general wage scale revision are among the demands of

to be Reviewed October 11 and 15. Washington, Aug. 7 .- Naval demonstrations at San Francisco, Manila and New York, October 14 and 15 were ordered today by the navy department. Simultaneously with a review of the Atlantic fleet at New York, the Pacific fleet will rendezyous at San Francisco and the Asiatic market today, fully one hundred and fleet at Manila. Officials say there is

> Practically every vessel able to cruise at the time set for the grand review will be at the assembling

Could Learn Something.

tanburg Journal.

South Carolina grafters could get